

# Mishap May Have Kept Jones From Victory in '500'

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# DIRT TRUCK CRASH INJURES ONE

## A Penny for your Thoughts

Children are looking forward to summer vacation just around the corner and the following persons associated with summer camps were asked this question:

"What benefits do children gain from attending summer camps?"

Dee Manning, Torrance Recreation Dept., supervisor.

"I think the most beneficial thing about summer camp is the opportunity children have to live in their own camp community outdoors. They learn to appreciate nature as well as each other."

John Ferstead, Torrance Recreation Dept., supervisor.

"It basically amounts to the idea that it gives them a group experience in an outdoor setting. They get the chance to practice democracy which they have learned in a classroom and at home."

Edith Simpelaar, Torrance Recreation Dept., supervisor.

"For some of these children, it is the first time they have been away from home. At camp they are able to work out problems for themselves under skilled leadership. They also learn how to live together democratically."

Joe Wilcox, YMCA director: "Summer camps furnish an ideal environment for young people where all of the influences are positive. These camps give our youth a chance to get away and find new perspectives. They also give teen-agers and adults a chance to work with youngsters."

Billy Weber, 2170 239th St., Edison student: "I think summer camps are great and real good experience for any kid. I go to one every year and so do my brothers and most of my friends. The hikes and fishing and stuff remind me of the stories my dad tells."



**TOUGH BREAK . . .** Parnell Jones, Torrance race driver, was forced out of an early lead when struck above eye by flying object, but continued to place 12th. This was the first time he had driven in the Indianapolis Memorial Day classic.

## Jones Hurt, But Stays With Auto

By BOB WILTON  
Herald Staff Writer

Were it not for a mishap that occurred as Parnell Jones led the field at 150-miles in the Indianapolis Memorial Day classic, the local driver could well have been in A. J. Foyt's place — not that a terrific driver in a great car didn't win.

A flying object, probably a part from one of the six cars involved in a pile-up that happened near the spot where veteran Tony Bettenhausen was killed in practice May 12, cut Jones near his eyebrow causing him to make a pit stop losing more than four minutes of valuable racing time.

The Torrance driver's goggles filled with blood twice, but he stuck to the wheel of his Agajanian-Willard Special to finish 12th as he was flagged in at 475 miles of the 500 mile course.

Foyt won the race with a record average time of 139.130 with Eddie Sachs second at 138.378 and Rodger Ward third at 137.880.

Don Clark, public relations for A. C. Agajanian's Ascot Park, told the HERALD that Jones said after the race that he would be back next Memorial Day and this time "I won't forget to duck."

## Rider Tossed To Pavement In Collision

One woman was thrown to the pavement and injured here yesterday afternoon when a huge semi-trailer loaded with earth and an auto collided at Crenshaw and Lomita Bvds. Taken to Riviera Community Hospital with injuries was Dorothy Hushton, 44, of Wilmington, a passenger in an auto driven by Irene A. Dorand, 61, also of Wilmington.

Apparently not injured in the crash was Ernest C. Laffoon, Santa Ana, driver of the huge earth moving rig, and Stephen Eubanks, 20, of 833 Calle Miramar, whose auto was struck also in the crash.

**INVESTIGATING** officers said Laffoon and the loaded truck were northbound on Crenshaw Blvd. and that the Dorand auto was attempting a left turn onto Lomita Blvd. from Crenshaw when the collision occurred.

Eubanks was westbound on Lomita Blvd., waiting for the signal to change when the crash occurred, police said.

**TRAFFIC OFFICER** Clifford Smith, 30, who was thrown 84 feet when his motorcycle and an auto collided at Hawthorne Ave. and Torrance Blvd. Sunday evening, underwent surgery at Little Company of Mary Hospital yesterday. Physicians placed pins in his right shoulder which was separated in the accident.

Smith also suffered a broken wrist, fingers, and cracked ribs in the crash.

**HE IS EXPECTED** to be hospitalized the rest of this week.

and will probably be off duty for the next two months, the HERALD was told yesterday.

Police said Smith was pursuing a car he believed to be operated by a drunk driver. He went through the intersection at a speed of approximately 50 miles an hour when a car driven by 81-year-old Johnson Atkinson of Redondo Beach turned into him. Smith was using red light and sirens at the time, the investigating officers were told.

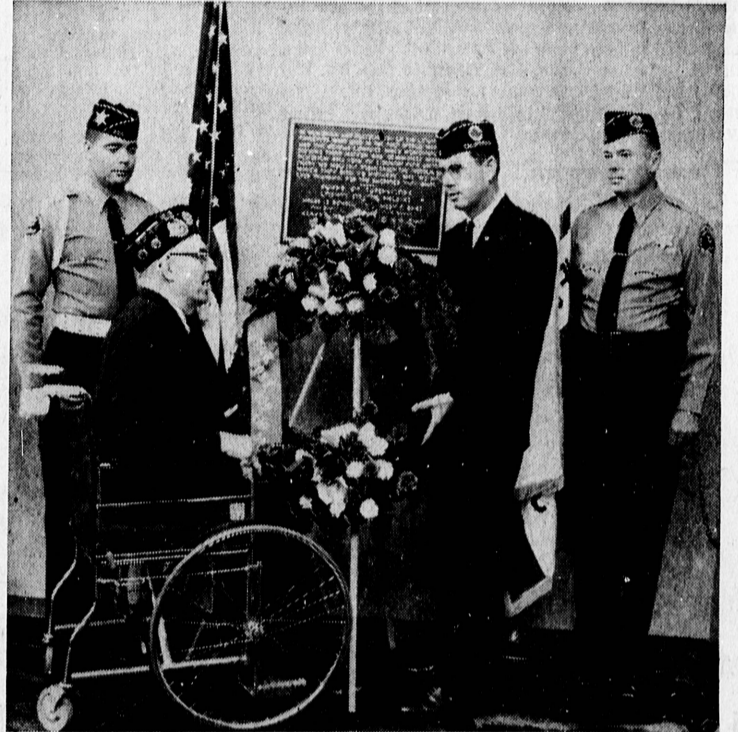
Smith has been preparing the "Know Your Traffic" articles which are published each Thursday in the HERALD.

## Former Spartan In Korean Unit

Army PFC Edward J. Kenney, 19, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bell, live at 2614 Pacific Coast Hwy., recently was assigned to the 44th Artillery, a Nike-Hercules missile unit in Korea.

Kenney, a sentry dog handler in Battery C of the artillery, entered the Army in December 1959 and received basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. He arrived overseas in December 1960.

Kenney attended South High School.



**SOLDIERS HONORED . . .** Memorial Day wreath is placed before a plaque at the County Hall of Administration honoring County employees who died fighting for America. This is the 12th year that similar ceremonies have been conducted by county officials in conjunction with the American Legion and the first year that memorial services have been held at the Hall of Administration. From left: Tom Degrew, captain of the color guard, Star Post 309, American Legion; John Quinn, past national commander, the American Legion; Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, a member of Teddy's Rough Riders Post 516, and Walter Hester, Commander-elect, Star Post 309.

## Four Candidates Seeking Top Job in Legion Post

Members of the Bert S. Crossland Post of the American Legion will have four candidates to choose from when they go about the serious business of electing a new post commander next Tuesday.

Adjutant Louis Deininger announced yesterday that four candidates had filed for the post, including Roy W. Greenwood, Elmer L. Bidwell, Mel Coates, and Earle Sumpter.

Seeking the second spot on the club slate are Newton M. Mathis and Arthur Tripanier. Robert Garry is sole candidate for second vice commander.

Other candidates include Edward Vincent, finance officer; Errol M. Meeks, service officer; Gerald P. Slu, sergeant-at-arms; Gordon E. Stuplich and Warren A. Shipley, historians; and C. J. "Paddy" Ryan and

Don R. MacPhearson, chaplain. Seeking election to the executive committee are Roy Shore, Ben Roberts, Steve Zawicki, Eugene Sargent, and Bill McArthur.

House committee candidates include Robert Faren, James Wertz, Thomas Kasterko, Thomas Coleman, Harry Laven, Charles M. Bentley, Louis Ayala, William H. Jay, and James Boudin.

Asking to be named delegates to the state convention are Curtis Smith, Grimwood, Bidwell, Coates, Sumpter, Ryan, William Harris, James Parks, Edward Vincent, Tripanier, Garry, Stanley Hieman and Deininger.

Polls will be open to all members of the local Legion at the Legion Hall, 1109 Border Ave., from noon until 9 p.m. next Tuesday, Deininger said.

## Jewish War Vets Plan Convention

A quarter-century of service to veterans and to the community will be celebrated with the Department of California, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, holding its twenty-fifth annual convention at Palm Springs Friday, Saturday and Sunday, according to Irwin J. Kaplan, Torrance resident and Junior Vice Commander of the Department.

Department Commander Sidney F. Jelin, of Culver City Post 667, will pay tribute to his predecessors in his final report to the membership at the annual Department Commander's Banquet on Saturday evening at the Riviera Hotel.

Among the several hundred delegates who will be present will be the Commanders of four new Posts instituted during May, including the new Palm Springs Post which will be host to the social activities of the convention. The new Commanders will be introduced by Department Junior Vice-Commander Irwin J. Kaplan.

Past Department Commander Joseph A. Golden of Morningside Post 499 is Convention Chairman, and Senior Vice-Commander Steve Rosmarin of Hollywood Post 113 is chairman of the executive sessions.

Concurrently with the Department, the Department Auxiliary will hold its sixteenth annual conclave.

## Ziffren To Visit Demo Club

Members of the recently organized Torrance Democratic Luncheon Club will hear Paul Ziffren, top California Democratic leader, at their first luncheon meeting at the Jump 'n Jack next Wednesday.

Ziffren, former national committeeman and chairman of the California convention committee, will speak on "The Future of the Democratic Party in California."

The speaker is a lecturer in federal taxation, and a special assistant to the chief counsel, Bureau of Internal Revenue; and is an assistant U.S. Attorney in charge of the tax division. He was educated at the Northwestern University of Law.

The newly organized Democratic Luncheon Club plans to bring other top Democrats to the area on speaking assignments, according to Pete Millar, member of the steering committee and spokesman for the group.

Millar identified other steering committee members as Councilmen J. A. Beasley and Nick Drake, John Barton, Harmon Belcher, Gus Anastasiou, and John Mulvihill.

## Decision on Rezoning Due

A decision on a proposal to rezone 150 acres of industrial land for residential use will be considered again by the City Planning Commission on June 7.

A second hearing on the proposal ended after nearly two hours of debate with a decision to postpone action.

Involved is property southwest of Crenshaw Boulevard, 230th Street, which build-

ble Oil Co plan to use to build 825 homes.

Opponents, led by the Torrance Industries Tax Committee, contend the homes would bring the city and school system far more in additional expenses than they would in additional income.

Wilson has pointed out that the property has lain virtually dormant anyway and would bring in sales tax revenue if it were developed for homes.



**TOWER STARTED . . .** City and federal officials joined hands Monday to begin construction on the new \$115,000 control tower at Torrance Municipal Airport. From left, are Carl Davidson of the FAA, who will be project engineer; Jack Egan, airport manager; Walter Schaeffer, member of the California Aeronautics Commission; K. K. Kellner, district engineer for the FAA, and Mayor Albert Isen. (Herald Photo)